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Agency of Natural Resources

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5/18/2026
Expiration Date: 5/18/2031

**Re: Crescent Beach Pump Station & Force Main Project
Vermont/ USEPA Clean Water Revolving Loan Number RF1-279**

Notice of Intent to Issue a Finding of No Significant Impact

Dear Megan Moir:

The Department of Environmental Conservation intends to issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Crescent Beach Pump Station & Force Main Project.

The project has positive safety and environmental impacts consisting of refurbishment of the Crescent Beach pump station and force main in Burlington to replace infrastructure that has exceeded its useful service life, which will meet current standards and minimize an uncontrolled release to the environment.

This project additionally involves impacts including construction within a wetland buffer for the Crescent Beach Pump Station.

Otherwise, this project may have been eligible for Categorical Exclusion from detailed environmental review; additionally, the direct and indirect environmental effects of the project are still not significant enough to necessitate an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

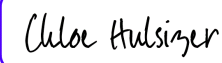
The Department's environmental review procedures require a 30-day public comment period following the issuance of a Notice of Intent to Issue a Finding of No Significant Impact. If no public comments received during that period demonstrate that this Notice of Intent is in error, then the Finding of No Significant Impact will become effective.

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Pump Stations Phase II Project – Crescent Beach Pump Station
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Copies of documents supporting a Finding of No Significant Impact are enclosed. Please keep copies of the enclosed documents, along with any pertinent reports by your consulting engineers, available for public inspection during a public comment period of 30 days. A full list of the documents that must be available for public inspection is attached. Please call (802) 522-3562 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Signed by:



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Chloe Hulsizer

Environmental Analyst IV
Water Investment Division

Enclosures

Documents Posted for Finding of No Significant Impact Public Comment Period (30 days)

1. Notice of Intent to Issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (Signed by Emily Bird, Director, Water Investment Division, enclosed.)
2. Evaluation of Eligibility for Finding of No Significant Impact (Approved by Emily Bird, Director, Water Investment Division, enclosed.)
3. State Environmental Review Procedures for Projects Funded Through the Vermont/ EPA Revolving Loan Program, <https://dec.vermont.gov/water-investment/water-financing/srf/environmental-review>

Additional Documents Needed for Finding of No Significant Impact Public Comment Period (30 days)

4. Environmental Information Document titled "*Environmental Report and Environmental Information Document*", and dated 5/11/2026, by John Reilly, PE.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219875&DVID=0>
5. Environmental Information Document Appendices, by Hoyle Tanner.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219534&DVID=0>
6. Preliminary Engineering Report entitled "*Remote Wastewater Pump Station Infrastructure Improvements Project*", and dated March 2024, by Hoyle Tanner.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=210394&DVID=0>

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7. Project Review Sheet dated 9/4/2024.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219556&DVID=0>

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Heather Collins & Aaron Krymkowski, Wastewater Program, VT-DEC
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**City of Burlington
Crescent Beach Pump Station Force Main Project**

Vermont/ USEPA Clean Water Revolving Loan Number: RF1-279

In accordance with section VII of the Department's *"Environmental Review Procedures for Projects Funded Through the Vermont/ EPA Revolving Loan Program"*, the Department of Environmental Conservation intends to issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed Pump Stations Phase II Project, Crescent Beach Pump Station. This project involves the refurbishment of a pump station and its associated force main in Burlington, VT. This involves the relocation of the existing steel wetwell and valve vault to the Surf Road right-of-way, the replacement of the submersible pumping equipment and pump discharge piping, the relocation of electrical equipment and controls, the relocation of the force main to the Surf Road, Crescent Beach Drive, and Shore Road rights-of-way, and the installation of a generator.

Under the Procedure, the project is ineligible for Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) from detailed environmental review. The project involves impacts including construction within a wetland buffer and therefore exceeds the threshold for CATEX.

Also, the direct and indirect environmental effects of the project are not significant enough to necessitate an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the Department's environmental review procedures. The project will not increase the current permitted flow capacity of the treatment plant, and the project will not include sewer extensions.

Consideration of the FONSI included a review of the following documents:

- **Environmental Information Document (EID)** signed 5/11/2026, by John Reilly, PE, of Burlington, VT. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219875&DVID=0>
- **Environmental Information Document Appendices**, by Hoyle Tanner. <https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219534&DVID=0>

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Further information on the project and this Notice of Intent is available for inspection at the following locations:

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No significant administrative action will be taken on this project for thirty (30) days from issuance of this Notice of Determination, to allow for public response.

Signed by:


Emily Bird, Director
Water Investment Division

5/18/2026
Date

Department of Environmental Conservation
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TO: Emily Bird, Director, Water Investment Division ^{Initial}  5/18/2026

FROM: Chloe Hulsizer, ^{Initial}  Environmental Analyst IV, Water Investment Division 5/18/2026

SUBJECT: City of Burlington
Crescent Beach Pump Station & Force Main Project

Evaluation of Eligibility for Finding of No Significant Impact

DATE: 5/18/2026

A. Project Identification

Project Name: City of Burlington
Pump Stations Phase II

Address: Megan Moir, Authorized Representative
City of Burlington
234 Penny Lane
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Project Location: City of Burlington, Vermont
The Crescent Beach Pump Station and Force Main are located on Surf Road, Crescent Beach Drive, and Shore Road in Burlington, VT, in the Northern Lake Champlain watershed.

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B. Summary of Environmental Review

The Department of Environmental Conservation, Water Investment Division, has reviewed this proposed project in accordance with the Department's State Environmental Review Procedures for Projects Funded Through the Vermont/ EPA Revolving Loan Program.

The Department has reviewed the following planning documents:

- Environmental Information Document titled “Environmental Report and Environmental Information Document”, and dated 5/11/2026, by John Reilly, PE.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219875&DVID=0>
- Environmental Information Document Appendices, by Hoyle Tanner.
<https://anrweb.vt.gov/DEC/IronPIG/DownloadFile.aspx?DID=219534&DVID=0>
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A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is the appropriate environmental review response for this project if the issues presented can be resolved with mitigation or permits. This project is not eligible for Categorical Exclusion from detailed environmental review due to potential impacts including construction within a wetland buffer. Also, the project’s direct and indirect environmental effects do not necessitate issuance of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), consistent with the criteria as described in section XI of the Department’s environmental review procedures.

1. Project Description

The City of Burlington is located in Chittenden County, Vermont in the Northern Lake Champlain watershed.

This project involves the refurbishment of a pump station and its associated force main in Burlington, VT. This involves the relocation of the existing steel wetwell and valve vault to the Surf Road right-of-way; the replacement of the submersible pumping equipment and pump discharge piping; the relocation of electrical equipment and controls; the relocation of the force main to the Surf Road, Crescent Beach Drive, and Shore Road rights-of-way; and the installation of a generator. The pump station and force main have been in service for over 50 years, and they do not meet the current design standards. The project will refurbish the Crescent Beach pump station and force main in Burlington to replace infrastructure that has exceeded its useful service life, which will meet current standards and minimize an uncontrolled release to the environment.

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This work is expected to be constructed with Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan.

Eligibility for clean water revolving loan (CWSRF) construction funding will be limited to the eligible clean water work as detailed in the Preliminary Engineering Report and to physical areas cleared through this environmental review process.

The contract documents will contain standard requirements to limit hours of construction and to control noise, dust and discharges of stormwater runoff or pollutants during construction.

2. Justification for Finding of No Significant Impact

We have determined that the proposed project meets the criteria for issuance of a Finding of No Significant Impact.

This project involves construction within a wetland buffer. The following mitigation measures will be put in place:

1. **Dust and Noise:** Practices to limit these impacts will be required, such as regular sweeping, erosion prevention and sediment control measures, and water application, and work will be limited to normal 7 am to 5 pm weekday working hours.
2. **Wetlands:** The replacement of the Crescent Beach Force Main involves some construction in a wetland buffer. The project work in areas of mapped wetlands or buffers shall include approved mitigation measures. If it is determined that a Wetlands Permit is required, mitigation of wetlands impacts will be determined through the Vermont Wetlands Permit. For sub-jurisdictional activities, mitigation shall include, at a minimum, buffer demarcation during construction.
3. **Transportation and Public Transit:** Prior to the beginning of construction, the Contractor will be required to provide notice to the local public transit agency, concerning the project schedule and potential impacts to the bus service or bus stops in the project area. The Contractor will be required to provide supplemental signage or temporarily relocate the bus stops as needed to maintain public transit service in this area.

Otherwise, this project may have been eligible for Categorical Exclusion from detailed environmental review; additionally, the direct and indirect environmental effects of the project are still not significant enough to necessitate an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

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Specifically, the project will not increase the design hydraulic capacity of the wastewater treatment plant by more than 20 percent, and it will not increase the design organic treatment capacity (equivalent population served) by more than 30 percent. The project does not include sewer extensions.

The project will not create a new permanent discharge of stormwater or treated wastewater to surface waters or groundwater, and there will be no increase of effluent pollutant loadings (pounds per day) permitted to be discharged from associated wastewater treatment plant.

A public hearing will be held on May 20, 2026 at the Burlington Department of Public Works Commission meeting as part of this FONSI process.